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## Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting

The 7<sup>th</sup> Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) meeting was held on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2026 in Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Deemed to be University at 11.00 AM. Prof. P Venkateswara Rao, Chairperson, IQAC and Vice Chancellor, welcomed the external and all internal members of IQAC. He called for the meeting and conducted the proceedings. He requested the IQAC Coordinator to present the agenda of the meeting.

### Members Present:

<b>Chairperson</b> :	Dr P. Venkateswara Rao, Chairperson, IQAC and Vice Chancellor, Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Deemed to be University
<b>Senior Administrative Officers</b> :	Dr A.V.Ratna Prasad, Pro Vice Chancellor Dr M.Ravichand, Registrar Mr M V Saibabu, Deputy Registrar Dr T.Anuradha, COE Dr D.Venkata Rao, Dean, School of Engineering Dr M.Suneetha, Dean, Research and Technology Development
<b>Teachers</b> :	Dr P.V.R.L.Narsimham, Dean, Examination and Evaluation Dr D.Rajeswara Rao, Dean, Industry Relations Training & Placement Dr N.Ravi Kumar, Professor, HOD, ME Department Dr V.Mallikarjuna, Professor, HOD, CE Department Dr K.Raghuveer, Senior Assistant Professor, MBA Department Dr D Madhulatha, Assoc.Prof., Maths
<b>Employers/Industrialist / Stakeholders</b> :	Mr Shameer Basha Y, Manager, Analog Port, Hyderabad Dr A.Venugopal Rao, Professor, Department of ME, NITW, Warangal
<b>Local Society, Students and Alumni</b> :	Mr.Basava Mohan Kumar, Asst. CIDO/ERP (transmission corporation of A.P)
<b>IQAC Coordinator and Co-Coordinators</b> :	Dr S Srinivas Prasad, Professor, IQAC Coordinator Dr CSS Anupama, Associate Professor, IQAC Co-Coordinator Dr Lakshmi Keshav, Associate Professor, IQAC Co-Coordinator
<b>Special invitees</b> :	Dr B.Panduranga Rao, Director- Infrastructure & Consultancy Dr. K Purna Chandra Rao, HOD, MCA Department Dr. A Sree Ram, HOD, MBA Department

<p>Dr.Mohammed Ismail, Professor, Dean, Academics CSE Department  Dr B V Rao Associate Dean ACADEMICS  Dr S.Srinivasa Rao, Associate Professor, Chemistry Department  Dr. Ch. Baby Rani, HOD Maths Department  Dr K. Narendra, Associate Professor, Physics Department  Dr G.L.Madhumati, Professor ECE Dept.,  Dr. B. Neelambaram, Assistant Professor, English Department  Dr Ch RE V Prasad, Assoc. Prof., CE  Dr M Srinivas, Asst. Prof. (Sel.Grade), EIE  Dr P.Durga Prasada Rao, Assistant Professor, EIE Department  Dr M.Durga Bavani, Assistant Professor, Chemistry Department  Dr B.V.V.Padmavathi, Assistant Professor, English Department  Dr. K Parish Venkata Kumar, Assistant Professor, MCA Department  Dr. N. Sailaja, Assistant Professor, MBA Department  K.Lalitha, Assistant Professor, EEE Department  Dr B Supraja Reddy, Assistant Professor, ME Department  Mrs. Keya Sarkar Assistant Professor, School of Law</p>
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**Item 1: Action taken report on the resolutions of 6<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2025**

**First Agenda Item in 6<sup>th</sup> IQAC Meeting**

To enhance the effectiveness, frequency, and utilization of feedback collected from key stakeholders - students, faculty, parents, alumni, and employers for continuous quality improvement in academic and administrative processes.

With regard to the first agenda of the previous meeting, a stakeholder Feedback Standardization Committee was constituted, comprising the IQAC Coordinator and representatives from each School/Department. The committee reviewed the existing feedback proforma's used by various Schools and Departments. Identified gaps and redundancies and developed standardized feedback formats for students, faculty, employers, alumni and parents in alignment with the revised NAAC framework. The standardized formats will be placed before the Vice-Chancellor for approval and subsequent implementation across all departments.

**Second Agenda Item in 6<sup>th</sup> IQAC Meeting**

To discuss strengthening the institutional ecosystem for innovation, incubation, and start-up development through active engagement of faculty and students, collaboration with industry and support from the Institution's Innovation Council.

The IQAC Coordinator informed the committee that the innovative models developed by students during the Academic Year 2025-26 have been uploaded to the

University website in accordance with the suggestions of both internal and external IQAC members. The Innovation Day held at the University on 15th October 2025 was highlighted in the presentation, during which a total of 382 models were exhibited, including 178 from Siddhartha University and 204 from other institutions. The event significantly strengthened the culture of innovation and fostered interdisciplinary collaboration. Several students secured prizes at reputed institutions for their innovative models, which were developed for Innovation Day and exhibited in competitions. It was also noted that several students secured prizes at reputed institutions for their innovative models, which were initially developed for Innovation Day and subsequently showcased in various competitions. Innovation programmes conducted in the University from January to March 2026 were presented to the members, including workshops on Design Thinking, expert lectures on Technology Readiness Levels (TRL), Ideathons, field visits to pre-incubation units and prototype validation sessions. Dr.A Venugopal Rao, External Member, suggested that faculty and students be encouraged to translate published patents into commercialization and innovation models, enabling progression to higher Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs).

**Item 2: Discussion in 7<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**The first agenda point of the 7<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting: Establishment of Research Centres and Centres of Excellence (CoEs).**

The details pertaining to equipment, associated costs, outcomes and utilization of existing Centres of Excellence, research laboratories, as well as newly established research centres and laboratories were presented to the members. The research outcomes of the University, along with details of sponsored research projects, consultancy projects and the number of Ph.D. scholars were also highlighted. Further, the IQAC proposed titles for three Centres of Excellence and two Research Centres for each department. The potential funding sources and the strategic plan for the establishment of these CoEs and Research Centres were also presented and discussed. The IQAC proposed the establishment of a Central Research and Analytical Instrumentation Laboratory under the Department of Science and Humanities with collaborative support and to explore funding opportunities from various agencies.

Dr. A. Venugopal Rao, Professor, Department of ME, NITW, Warangal suggested to involve engineering faculty from different departments as well as experts from IITs, NITs, research laboratories and industry for the effective establishment of the Central Research and Analytical Instrumentation Laboratory.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor emphasized identifying thrust research areas based on departmental strengths and societal needs. The Pro Vice Chancellor recommended exploring funding through government agencies, industry collaboration, alumni contributions, and philanthropic sources.

**The second agenda point of the 7<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting: Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through research initiatives and community engagement activities.**

A department-wise mapping of funded research projects, consultancy works, research publications and NSS activities aligned with SDGs was presented. A substantial proportion of research publications, sponsored research and outreach activities were mapped to relevant Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), reflecting strong alignment with global priorities. The review of activities indicated strong contributions in areas such as Good Health and Well-being and Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure. However, gaps were identified in Clean Water and Sanitation, Affordable and Clean Energy, and Climate Action. Dr. A. Venugopal Rao suggested that the Department of Chemistry could further contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through research in sustainable materials, environmental protection, water treatment, and green technologies.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor recommended to integrate Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) themes into elective courses and community-based projects. The Pro Vice-Chancellor suggested aligning local societal challenges with specific SDGs to enhance the institution's impact.

**Other Item discussed with the permission of Chair**


Dr. P. V. R. L. Narasimham, Head, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, highlighted that Dr. G. Srinivas Rao, Associate Professor of the department and Founder of Pranayuv Technologies Private Limited, along with EEE

alumnus Sri P. Sai Ramakrishna, received a grant of ₹8 Lakh under the AMTZ GENESIS scheme.

It was Resolved that:

1. A proposal for the establishment of a Central Research and Analytical Instrumentation Laboratory shall be submitted by the Department of Science and Humanities to the R&D Cell by 30th April 2026.
2. All Departments and Schools shall submit their identified thrust areas to the R&D Cell by 15th April 2026.
3. Departments/Schools shall submit proposals to the R&D Cell by 30th April 2026 for upgrading existing laboratories into Centres of Excellence (CoEs) with advanced equipment or developing at least one new CoE through collaborative initiatives with funding agencies, or establishing Research Centres.
4. At least one new SDG-focused course shall be introduced in each Department where such courses are currently not offered and the Dean (Academics) shall submit a report outlining departmental targets by 15th April 2026.
5. Surveys shall be conducted to identify and analyse at least ten community issues and societal technical problems aligned with SDG's. A consolidated report of the findings shall be submitted by the NSS Coordinator, with support from the School of Management, by 30th May 2026.
6. Collaborations with government bodies and NGOs shall be undertaken as part of the strategic plan to align research with societal needs and map them to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Departments and Schools shall initiate such collaborations by June 2026 and ensure their implementation by September 2026.

  
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